

**COUNTY OF RACINE  
GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Janet Bernberg, Chairman  
Katherine Buske, Vice Chairman  
Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, Secretary

Supervisor Thomas E. Roanhouse  
Supervisor Kiana Johnson-Harden  
Supervisor Scott Maier  
Supervisor Mike Dawson

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**NOTICE OF MEETING  
OF THE  
GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: AUDITORIUM  
IVES GROVE OFFICE COMPLEX  
14200 WASHINGTON AVENUE  
STURTEVANT, WI 53177

**AGENDA**

1. Public Comments
2. Chairman Comments
3. Approval of Minute(s) from previous meeting
4. New Business
  - A. Racine County Register of Deeds, Tyson Fettes to speak on the disaster response to the Burlington flood in July 2017.
5. Referrals from the County Board
  - A. 2017 Resolutions of the Wisconsin Counties Association. Resolutions 1 through 51; M.T. Boyle will discuss resolutions that pertain to our committee to get committee's recommendations.
6. Old Business
  - A. Bev Baker and Jen Reese will present a full scope of the application, interview and Youth in Governance policy for the committee to review; Group 4 Evaluation Summaries from the May Orientation and June Tour; Program Overview and Foundation and Map of Racine County Board Districts and School Districts
7. Adjournment

**GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**August 1, 2017**

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Chairman Bernberg called the meeting of the Government Services Committee to order at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was attended by Supervisors: Buske, Maier, Dawson and Roanhouse

Excused: Supervisors Johnson-Harden, Kaprelian-Becker, and Youth Reps Craig and Goldammer Absent: None

Also attending was Bev Baker of UW Extension.

**#1 – Public Comments**

None.

**#2 – Chairman Bernberg Comments**

Chairman Bernberg announced excused members.

**#3 – Approval of Minutes from previous meeting(s)**

**Action:** To approve the minutes from the June 6, 2017 meeting as printed.

**Motion passed.** Moved: Supervisor Maier. Seconded: Supervisor Buske. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays.

**#4 New Business**

**A. Youth in Governance Evaluation Report**

Bev Baker presented the committee with a six-page handout prepared by Jen Reese which covered the process used to recruit, nominate and select Group 3 of the Youth in Governance members (2016-2017).

The report shared the evaluations of the program submitted by the youth at the beginning and end of their terms, along with their recommendations for the program's future. At the September meeting, Bev Baker and Jen Reese will be presenting a full scope of the application, interview and Youth in Governance policy for the committee to review.

**B. Discussion regarding resolutions by St. Croix, Wood, Jackson, Forest, Chippewa and Portage Counties to create a Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans**

**Action:** To receive and file item. **Motion Passed.** Moved: Supervisor Buske Seconded: Supervisor Maier. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays.

**#5 Referrals from County Board**

- A. Resolution No. 21 (2017) from St. Croix County** to Close Loopholes that shift a Greater Property Tax Burden from Commercial to Residential Homeowners
- B. Resolution No. 14-05/17 from Walworth County** Recommending Change in Unemployment Compensation Rules
- C. Resolution No. 13-2017-18 from Outagamie County** urges the Governor and State Legislature to protect Wisconsin workers by opposing legislation to repeal Wisconsin's prevailing wage law
- D. Resolution No. 18/2017-18 from Outagamie County** Board of Supervisors does support proposed legislation permitting inmates confined to county jails, county houses of correction, or tribal jails under a Department of Corrections contract to leave the facility to participate in employment-related activities or

other approved programs designated by the Department of Corrections in its contract with the local unit of government

- E. Resolution No. 19-2017-18 from Outagamie County** Board of Supervisors does support proposed legislation to allow a person, meeting certain requirements, to file a petition for expungement with the sentencing court after he or she completes their sentence
- F. Resolution No. 2017-43 The Door County** Board of Supervisors does support legislation to allow only aggrieved parties to petition for a recount to ensure tax payers are not responsible for any unnecessary recount costs, to allow the Wisconsin Elections Commission to be reimbursed for any costs incurred in a recount; extend the time to submit recount costs for 30 to 45 days; shorten the recount petition deadline by two days to ensure submission of Wisconsin's Electoral College votes; give the county board of canvassers an additional day to begin their recount.
- G. Resolution No. 40-17 from Portage County** requests the Governor, Legislature and Department of Workforce Development to come together to promulgate clear, fair rules regarding unemployment and seasonal workers.
- H. Resolution No. 12-2017-18 from Outagamie County** has already been adopted by that county
- I. Resolution No. 17-7-6 from Wood County** this resolution urges the Legislature to support Wisconsin's workers by opposing the repeal of Wisconsin's prevailing wage law because the skilled construction tradesmen and women working on our public infrastructure deserve to be paid a fair minimum wage. Wisconsin is already experiencing a worker shortage and skills gap. Repealing prevailing wage will only make the problem worse.  
**Action:** To receive and file item. **Motion Passed.** Moved: Supervisor Buske. Seconded: Supervisor Maier.  
Vote: All Ayes, No Nays.

#### **6. Adjournment**

**Action:** To adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. **Motion passed.** Moved: Supervisor Roanhouse. Seconded: Supervisor Buske. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays.

RC's Position	No.	Offered By	Resolution Description
	1	Outagamie	Supporting Full Funding of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative
	2	Bayfield	Supporting an increase in payment in lieu of taxes (PILT) for county forest lands
	3	LaCrosse	Responding to the Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau Report "Wastewater Permitting and Enforcement, June 2016"
	4	Menominee	Opposing the Back Forty Mine
	5	Menominee	Supporting the Paris Climate Agreement
	6	Eau Claire	Supporting reinstating the forestation state tax
	7	Walworth	Adopting Public Participation Procedures for updating the multi-jurisdictional comprehensive plan for Walworth County
	8	Burnett	Recommending Change in Unemployment Compensation Rules
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10	Burnett	Recommending Amendment to WI Statute 59.22
11	Walworth	Supporting Proposed Legislation Allowing an Exception to Copy a Vital Record
12	Marinette	Supporting a county option relating to highway committee/commissioner duties and powers
13	Eau Claire	Supporting Creation of a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans
14	Lincoln	Creating a Nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans
15	Dunn	Supporting Creation of a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans
16	Walworth	Advocating for Cooperative Extension Funding
17	Outagamie	Opposing the UW-Cooperative Extension Multi-County Reorganization Plan
18	LaCrosse	Opposing the UW-Cooperative Extension Multi-County Reorganization Plan
19	Rock	Supporting the Governor's Budget Proposals to Lower the Lead Poisoning Definition and to Increase the Medicaid Reimbursement Available for Lead Investigations

20	Walworth	Encouraging the United States Senate to Pass Senate Bill 2680-Mental Health Reform Act of 2016
21	Eau Claire	disability resource centers dementia care specialist program and promoting the work of the dementia coalition in Eau Claire Co.
22	Rock	Requesting the Legislature Restore Funding in the 2017-2019 State Budget for Dementia Care Specialist Positions
23	Outagamie	Alzheimer's Disease Research Center
24	Walworth	Requesting Adequate Funding from the State and Federal Government for Medicare & Medicaid Reimbursement to skilled nursing facilities
25	Vernon	Requesting the state legislature to increase nursing home Medicaid funding
26	Bayfield	Requesting an increase in medical reimbursement rates
27	Dunn	Urging the Wisconsin Legislature and Governor to Enact Legislation to Increase Medicaid Reimbursement Rates
28	Walworth	Supporting Increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocations
29	Door	Supporting Increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocations

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30	Outagamie		Supporting increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocations
31	Eau Claire		Supporting Increased State Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocation
32	LaCrosse		Supporting Increased Funding in the Children and Family Aids Allocations
33	Dunn		Supporting WCA's efforts to establish statewide 9-1-1 ESInet Based District Attorney's Offices without Counting County-Funded Positions when Assessing need or Distributing Prosecutor Positions
34	Bayfield		Requesting that Circuit Judges be given discretion regarding adding the DNA surcharge to each and every count in criminal judgements of conviction
35	Marathon		Authorizing Counties to impose up to .1% sales tax exclusively for economic development, tourism and infrastructure for the same
36	Eau Claire		Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
37	Marinette		Supporting efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
38	Rock		
39	Eau Claire		

40	Outagamie	Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
41	Barron	Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
42	Marinette	Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
43	Door	Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
44	Walworth	Supporting Efforts to Close Commercial Property Assessment Loopholes
45	Eau Claire	Supporting continued funding of the essential air service (EAS) program
46	Walworth	the USH 12 Extension Project and Urging the St. of WI that this Project be Included in the Transp. Improvement Prog. For SE WI 2017-2020
47	Walworth	Urging Elected Officials to Direct the WI Dept. of Transportation to complete the USH 12 Environmental Impact Study
48	Walworth	Urging the Surface Transportation Board to Conduct a Thorough Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Great Lakes Basin Railroad
49	Eau Claire	Supporting the initiation of passenger rail service between west central WI and the Twin Cities

50	Dunn	Supporting Proposed Plan for Salary Increases for All University of Wisconsin Employees
51	LaCrosse	Encouraging Financial Support by the State of Wisconsin for La Crosse Center Expansion Project
52	Door	Providing Adequate Resources to Support County Soil and Water Conservation and Cost-Sharing for Farmers and Other Land Users
53	Walworth	Supporting the Return of \$9.3 million in the 2017-2019 Biennial Budget to Provide Adequate Resources to County Land Conservation Programs and Cost-Sharing for Farmers
54	Walworth	Urging the State of Wisconsin to Support Funding for Communicable Disease Control for Population Health
55	Outagamie	bipartisan support for funding of comprehensive, sustainable, effective, and evidence based Communicable Disease Control and prevention for the publics Health
56	Eau Claire	Securing State Funding to Support Communicable Disease Control for Population Health
57	Rock	Securing State Funding to Support Communicable Disease Control for Population Health
58	Dunn	Supporting Just Fix It for Transportation Funding
59	Outagamie	Urging the State of Wisconsin to Just Fix It as it relates to funding Wisconsin's Transportation System

	60	Door	Urging the State of Wisconsin to Just Fix It as it relates to funding Wisconsin's Transportation System
	61	Walworth	Urging the State of Wisconsin to Just Fix It as it relates to funding Wisconsin's Transportation System